## More Fun!

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Everyone knows that it is more fun to give, than to sell! Selling is damn hard work. It takes a lot of study and practice to be a successful salesperson.

But giving is as easy as falling off a log. No strain. No stress. Just say "Take it or leave it, I don't care." In the Priceless Economic System (PES), if people don't want our product, we'll quit making it. No hassle.

So why in the world do we continue with the Selling Game???

Giving is more fun than selling. If everyone was playing the Giving Game, everything would be free for everyone.

Now you tell me -- is that too difficult to understand? What else do I need to say? That's it! I can now retire from the LFP!

## Free Health Care

A PES national or world-wide health-care-plan wouldn't cost anyone a cent. Doctors would get free schooling and free everything and we would get free health care. What in Hell could be simpler and cheaper than that???

The PES health care plan would eliminate the doctors who are in it just for the big bucks \$\$\$\$. Then only the dedicated people who enjoyed healing would remain in health care. There are many caring-loving people in this field. We have suffered from the Profiteers (doctors & hospital owners) for too long! It is high time we changed all this.

This is true for all jobs. Only the people who enjoyed the work should do it or it shouldn't be done. When ev-

eryone has a free choice of jobs and free schooling and free everything they need - - then people can discover the kind of work they can, and like to do, best.

Giving instead of selling, would eliminate most of the wasteful non-life-supportive jobs, such as: sales, advertising, banking, insurance, most bookkeeping and accounting.

In the PES we would try to eliminate jobs, instead of create jobs. Then only the people who enjoy working will work, but will have shorter shifts. This will reduce our working force down to about 10% of what we have today.

Businesses; like banks, stock exchanges and governments would not be needed any more. No more reason for corporations to lie and cheat if there is no profit motive. No more reason to war, pollute, starve or steal.

After I dropped out of the Rat Race these ideas became very apparent.

It is hard to build a new boat if you are totally consumed in attempting to stay afloat in a boat that is sinking.

Get yourself set-up so you can drop-out for a while. Lay-back and look and think things over. You might even try giving your product or service free or at cost for an experiment and see for yourself how much more fun the Giving Game is than the Selling-your-time Game.

#### Control System

For the present world-wide Sell System to work it must have millions of people out-of-work and poor.

With an abundance of unemployed people, the employers can hire people for low wages. By constantly raising prices more than wages, they create even more unemployed. It is a losing battle for the workers and more profit for the profiteers.

Instead of giving up, I think our best bet is to get into the Game and beat it and then drop out!

The way I beat the Game was to spend most of my time learning all I could about a job and working hard at that job to make the most money I could and saving every penny I could, by not wasting it on luxuries, drink, smoke, or dope. At the same time I was supporting a wife and our three kids. My wife stayed at home and took care of the children and our home.

The money I saved I invested in something I knew a lot about, that I could control.

Then as soon as I had enough invested to drop-out of the Rat Race -- I did. It took me until I was 42 years old to do that. It wasn't something I had planned. I gotten so disgusted had with the government with their Vietnam War that I examined my financial condition and decided I could retire if I pinched my pennies stop supporting government with taxes and my vote. I also figured I could get back into the Rat Race any time I wanted more money. I explained these ideas to my wife and she agreed.

If I were asked advice, I would tell people that they could drop-out much sooner than I did. I would tell them

to get rid of <u>all</u> their debts and drop-out as soon as they had saved up enough money to live on for a few months. To live cheap. Waste not--want not. Take this time and study your self. Find out what you are good at. Figure out what you can enjoy doing to make money.

Do it legally. Don't be a crook and have to worry about ending up in prison. They love to put people in prison because prisons are a gigantic money making deal for contractors, suppliers and politicians.

Figure out a way to become very skillful at your job so that when you get back into the Rat Race you can win, i.e., make lots of money. Live frugally. Invest every penny you can in something you have expertise in, to let your money work for you. Don't be like all the rest of the dummies and spend it (before you get it -- that's called 'credit") on the junk advertised, i.e., for status symbols. You won't need status symbols after you realize that you are a good person, just the way you are.

When you are ready, get back into the Rat Race again and when you get a little of bigger pile money (investment), drop-out again for a longer time and again study yourself and the system and re-evaluate and see if you are directing your life in your most advantageous direction.

We only live once, so you better do the best you can do, right now! It is your last chance! Then study some more and sharpen your skills so that you can soon earn a big enough pile of money to retire for several years.

No one needs to remain on the bottom of the economic heap!

Remember not to fall for all the diversions that the mass media continuously tries to sell you. Don't waste your time (life) on these useless pursuits and expenses that the mass media has mind-conditioned you to believe are entertainment. Make your own entertainment by doing you are doing in earnest. Then your work is fun and becomes your entertainment. Oh, I agree we must get away from our work once in a while. But there is a lot of joy to be found that is free.

Advertising is pure Bull Shit! They are not trying to make you happy. They are trying to make more PROFIT! They try to grab your money, i.e., your time and your labor. Ignore it! Get most of your stuff secondhand from garage sales or from dumpsters. Does that turn your stomach? What would people think? Fuck em! You got to learn to take care of #1 first.

Altruism is also pure Bull Shit! Altruism is what slaves are taught. Take care of the others and to Hell with you. Be humble. Be tolerant. Let others fuck you over. If you get knocked down, just lay there and beg for mercy and charity. Don't get up and get back in the saddle. No, that is for survivors and heroes! Stay on the dole and just think, "Poor me!" Don't try to help yourself out of the mess you got yourself into! Get wise to how the system works.

A small owner-operated business that sells its own product or service can easily under-bid the Big Companies every time and give better service, besides.

Don't be fooled by processed food and restaurants. Buy or raise <u>basic</u> foods and cook them yourself. You'll be healthier and it's cheaper.

These are the things I would tell people if they asked me what I would do if I had to do it all over again. No one asked me! But there it is anyway.

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People told me I was too young to retire. I ignored them.

I WOULD NOT EVER GET A MORTGAGE, LOAN OR A CREDIT CARD. I WOULD ONLY PAY CASH OR BARTER FOR WHATEVER I WANTED!!!

I would do a lot of miniretirements and use that free-time to figure out and improve a good life-workingplan for myself and I would follow it.

I would find the best ways to live and be happy spending the least amount of money AND would learn the best and fastest ways that I could (enjoyably) make the most money possible AND I would invest my savings in something that I knew a lot about AND then it wouldn't take me many years to have a pile big enough to dropout of the Rat Race for ever.

It occurred to me years ago, when I was 42, I had accumulated that enough investments to retire (drop-out) so I did. It was not something I had planned to do, that is why it took me so long. It doesn't take much money to live good and enjoy life if one learns the simple natural ways that the primitive people, before us, knew how to do for thousands of years.

I'm sure glad that I retired. Only now I see that I could have done it at a much younger age. I have had 24 hours of free time each day for 25 years to observe the system, and learn how to have fun, from a relaxed perspective. Now I can see how the GAME is really played and who controls it. It is not like we were taught in school.

I have traveled to many countries and talked with many people. One learns more this way. Travel is truly broadening.

Money is independence. Learn how to avoid the mass media so that you will not be made fearful from all their fearmongering and not be suckered into buying all that junk. Buy for cash. Don't sign your life away on a mortgage, loan or credit card.

# THAT IS INDENTURED SLAVERY.

You want to be a slave—do it, that's your right, I don't give a damn. Slaves don't get ahead of the GAME. They must obey and pay interest. They get nothing for the interest they pay, except more slavery!

# Drop-Out Life

I pretty much do as I damn please. I get up when I please, which is early. I eat when I please, which is regularly. I work on a project when I please, which is often. I loaf when I please, which is not often enough. There are so many things I wish to learn and do that I hope to live at least another 100 years to do them.

# Community?

I no longer believe in living in a group, community, commune or collective and doing what they think I should do. That is too confining. It doesn't give me the privacy and freedom to

discover what is best for me, if I'm always trying to please others and be argued into consensus agreements that are best for the group (or the state) but not necessarily best for me.

In the long run, what is best for the individual, is best for the group.

But you never hear about that.

By not wanting to be part of a group, I haven't had to waste a lot of my time trying to find the "perfect" group. This allows me to go ahead immediately to create my own Utopia. I don't need permission from anyone to begin right now!

Groups attract followers. Followers wish to be told what to do, instead of putting forth the energy to figure things out for themselves. They think that is the easy way, but it is the slave way. Being either a leader or a follower doesn't attract me. The slave chain has two ends. The leader is also a slave.

That is slave mentality. Why should I do what a bunch of followers (sheep) are doing? No! I really enjoy finding my own way in life. seem to be discovering much better ways to live. I don't care to preach someone else's ideas. I find I'm just as capable (actually, more so) as they, to find the best path. I think that everyone (unless they are retarded), if they try, will discover themselves to be their own best leader, i.e., have faith in yourself.

If everyone takes care of him/herself, there is then no one who needs to be taken care of.

It is true though, that we can get good ideas from those who are ahead of us on the trail to freedom and happiness. I certainly have

copied good ideas whenever I have found them. They are short-cuts. Why re-invent the wheel?

What I'm trying to say is, don't blindly follow anyones path. It may look like it was a good path for that person. It could actually have been miserable for that person. Regardless, it might not work for you. Just as my path may not work for you. But it might give you some ideas on things to try.

I hope someday I can evolve to the point where I won't care to brag and try to help people. I hope I can learn to just teach myself and go my own way and be that happy-go-lucky person I envision. And let the rest of the world go down the tube if it is so stupid! People have allowed the TV, radio, newspapers, magazines and tapes to make them passive stupid obedient slaves. They do what they are told. They may be beyond help.

The aware alert people are getting off the sinking ship and are learning to take care of themselves!

# Lawn Chair

Here I sit with my wash drying on the line, bare-footed at the edge of my vegetable garden on the fifth of July, with my sweet corn more than, "knee high, by the forth of July," sipping a cold beer and writing. What could be better to do in the world?

Today I put a better plate on top of the studs in the shed off my garage. Then I cut out all the rotten roof boards. Then replaced them with used boards I have accumulated. Tomorrow I think I'll put rolled roofing on the shed. Then frame in the garage windows that I added and find some siding to put on the alley side of the

garage and shed to cover up the ragged siding that is on it now. Then to rearrange all the junk in the garage that I wish to keep. Sell the antique beds and haul the rest to the landfill.

Then I'll have space where I can begin construction of the eight foot sailing dingy that I bought plans for. Then it will be hunting for proper lumber and plywood for the job and then, go-to-it.

# Reviews

I sure have had a lot of luck in this 67 year old life of mine.

Try to find the old book, HOW TO ATTRACT GOOD LUCK by A. H. Z. Carr, (1952, 1965) 191 pages. Cornerstone Library Publications (A Division of Pocket Books, Inc.) I just found a copy. It's great! It should go on the top shelf right next to Dale Carnegie. Find it no matter what the cost. Follow that book and it will be the luckiest thing you ever did. I wish I had found it when I was younger.

I finished reading it last night (6-29-94). It is a very powerful book. It lays it out like it really is. It explains in detail many ways to attract good luck. It also shows how people attract bad luck.

Now, I know why much of my good luck has come to me. Now I'm watching closer for it. I have attracted good luck twice since I got the book. Good luck is sure better than bad luck. It is also, important to know how bad luck is attracted so that we can avoid attracting it.

I can't recommend this book enough for people who are trying to get the most out of life and wish to be in control of their lives.

GESUNDHEIT! by Patch Adams, M.D., 1993, \$15.

Healing Arts Press, One Park Street, Rochester, VT 05767.

Here is the story of a medical doctor who gave his medical services free of charge for 15 years from his home. It's a happy story of how free and happy medical care works better than the "charge all you can get" present system. Patch is now building a five million dollar free hospital in Virginia. I heard him speak in Minneapolis a few years ago. He clowns and makes you laugh. That is part of his cure.

Get his book! You may get some ideas on the how and why of giving your service or product free of charge. It will also give you a preview of what medical service will be like when everything is free with the PES.

HOW TO STOP WORRYING AND START LIVING by Dale Carnegie, 1944, 348 pages, Pocket Books. "One of the most tragic things I know about human nature is that all of us tend to put off living. We are all dreaming of some magical rose garden on the horizon — instead of enjoying the roses that are blooming outside our windows today."

"Why are we such fools -such tragic fools?" I just
found this book at a garage
sale for 25 cents. I read it
years ago, I'm reading it
again now. This book looks
like it will be a honey! This
copy is from the 30th
printing.

LIVING ON A FEW ACRES, Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Governemt Printing Office, Washington, D.C. 20402. (price?) 1978 0-251-000 (432 pages) (Stock # 001-000-03809-5 Catalog # A1.10:978. [God, what a lot of bullshit numbers] This hard-cover book has a lot of interesting photographs.

Maybe your library can get it. I didn't think the government could put out anything worthwhile. But for anyone planning to go back to the land, this book looks like a real helper. It warns against some pitfalls one could stumble into so it could save thousands dollars. It shows things that homesteaders are doing to make a living. Plus it lists further reading sources in some chapters. Try to at least read this before you pay any money out for land.

ALIAS, Fred Victor Mission, 145 Queen Street East, Toronto, Ont., Canada M5A 1S1 (no price listed. send a donation.) An attractive easy to read newsletter written mostly by people who frequent the mission. This paper helps one see through the eyes of some of the people that the "System" has pushed to the bottom of the pile.

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